



PATENT  
Docket: 16356.643 (DC-02990)  
Customer No. 000027683

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	§	
Smith, T. Gavin, et. al.	§	
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Serial No.	§	Examiner: Maskulinski, Michael C.
09/916,782	§	
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Filed: July 27, 2001	§	Group Art Unit: 2113
	§	
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR	§	
TESTING HARDWARE AND	§	
SOFTWARE CONFIGURATIONS IN	§	
A COMPUTER SYSTEM	§	

**ACCOMPANYING AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed January 12, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-8 and 17-24 are cancelled, claims 9, 15, 25 and 35 are amended and claims 9-16 and 25-35 remain in the application. Re-examination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.